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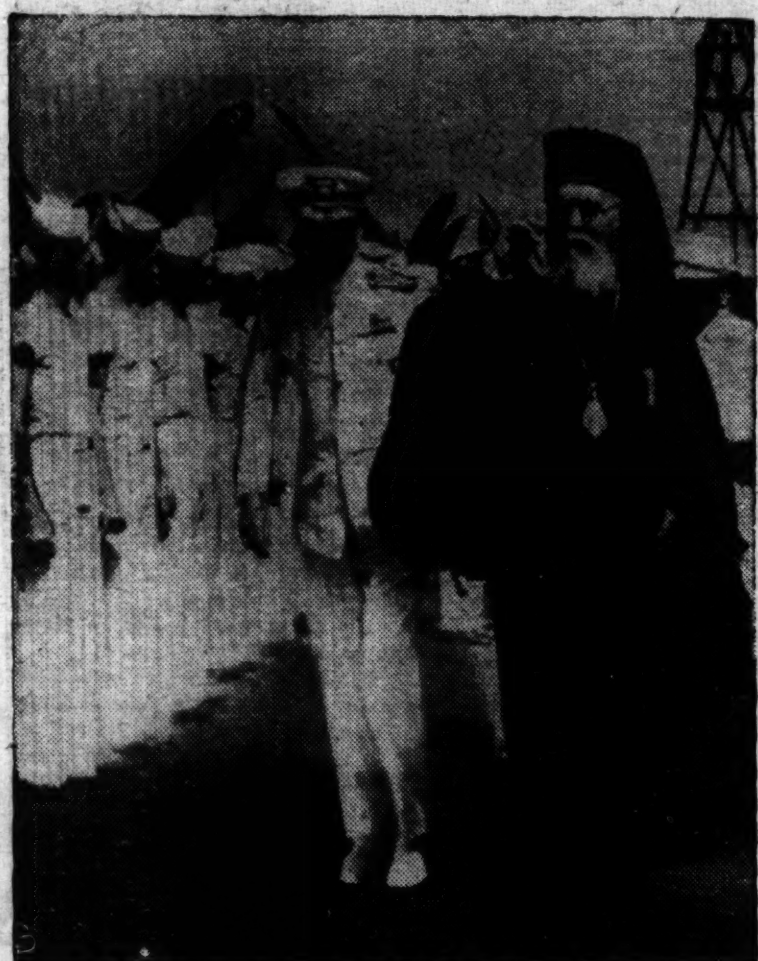
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## TRUCK TIE-UP SOLID IN SECOND WEEK

### *Rank-and-File Teamsters Mobilize*

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**GREEK REGENT ON PLANE CARRIER:** Accompanied by U.S. Rear Admiral Cassidy, King George II's agent, Archbishop Demaskinos, reviews sailors aboard aircraft carrier Franklin D. Roosevelt, which is now off Greek shores waving Truman's "big stick" of diplomacy.

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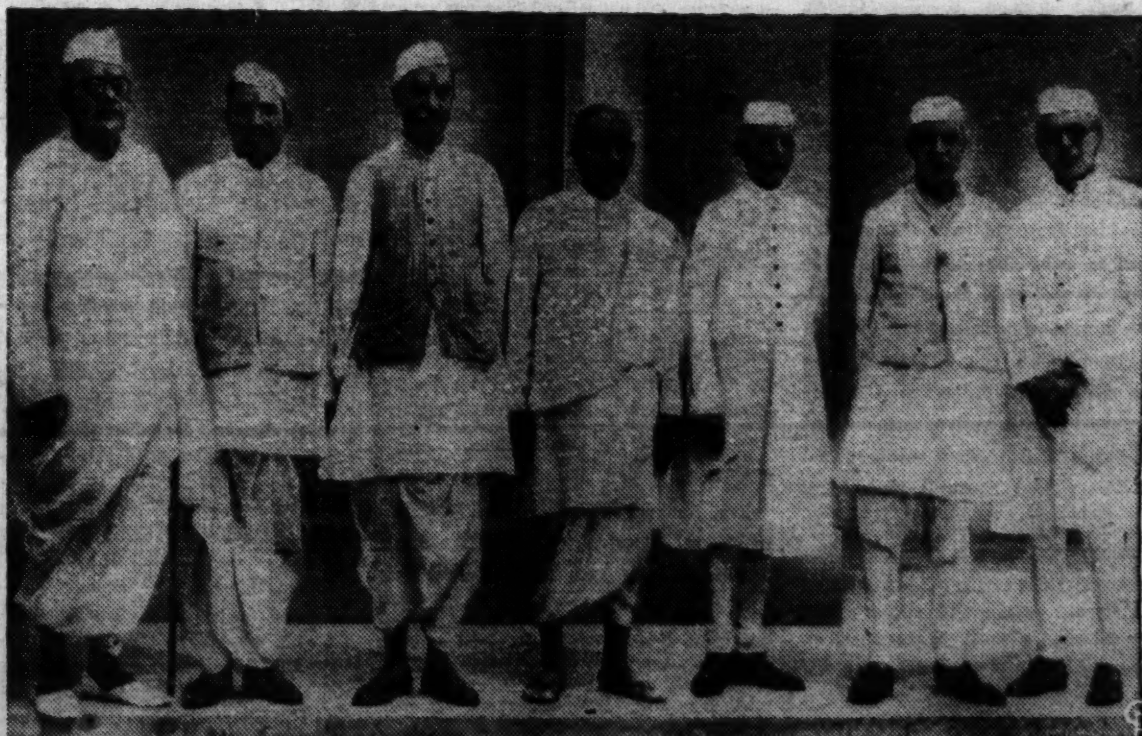
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**NEW INDIA GOVERNMENT:** After being sworn in at Delhi, India, members of the new Indian interim government, composed entirely of Hindus, are shown (left to right): Sarat Chandra Bose, Jaijivan Ram, Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Sardar Vallabhai Patel, Asap Ali, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Syed Ali Zaheer. The Moslems, under the leadership of Jinnah, have refused to join the government.



## WORLD EVENTS

# U.S. Alibis Britain, Greece at UN Meet

By Helen Simon

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Sept. 9.—United States Delegate Herschel Johnson today said Ukrainian charges against Greece and Britain were "beyond the realm of credulity." Australian delegate Paul Hasluck proposed the case be dismissed from the Security Council agenda.

Earlier the Albanian representative was granted the floor and emphasized the existence of a real threat of Greek aggression.

Johnson insisted that these Ukrainian charges were "non-factual":

● That the Greek election and referendum had been falsified. The U. S. delegate said that the March 31 election had been underwritten by Allied observers.

● That Greece threatens peace, as evidenced in its insistence that a state of war exists with Albania and in its demand for Albania's Northern Epirus. Johnson maintained that no evidence exists that Greece will not accept the peace conference decision on these matters.

● That unbridled propaganda by monarchist extremists endangers peace. The American poo-pooed dangers from Greece's "free" press, suggesting that "unbridled propaganda" in the "controlled" press of countries on Greece's northern border and possibly elsewhere was more menacing.

## DEFENDS BRITISH

Johnson insisted the presence of British troops in Greece has been a "stabilizing factor" not an encouragement to aggression.

Once this was said, he made it appear Greek aggression against Albania, or persecution of minorities in order to lay the ground for such aggression, was "inconceivable."

Greece's northern neighbors have armies five times as large as that of Greece, he said, using the same figures produced by Greek delegate Vassili Dendramis last week. Of course it is unlikely that an insig-

nificant army, were it not backed by British imperialism, would undertake aggression.

Hasluck said Australia never favored Security Council investigations for "frivolous sensation reasons." He hinted the Ukrainian charges against Britain and Greece had not been made in good faith and suggested Greek charges against Greece's northern neighbors appear substantial and worthy of investigation.

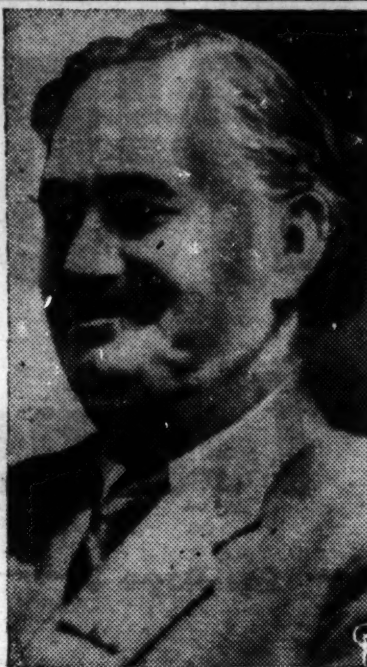
Albania's Minister of State Tuk Jakova was given the right to speak at the start of this afternoon's session by a vote of 9-1. Britain's Sir Alexander Cadogan opposed, and Australian abstained. **BITTER COMPLAINT**

Speaking in his native tongue, the 32-year-old Albanian colonel complained his country had been denied UN membership despite its war sacrifices. He charged that at the very moment the Security Council was discussing Albania's application, fresh Greek violations of Albanian territory had occurred. More than 100 such violations have taken place, he said.

He warned Albania's "categorical answer" to any attempt to take over Albanian territory would mean "bloodshed" and begged for a chance for Albania to continue reconstruction.

Dendramis angrily denied Col. Jakova's accusation.

The session adjourned at 6:05 p.m. and will reconvene tomorrow (Tuesday) at 3 p.m.



GEORGI DIMITROV, secretary of the Bulgarian Communist Party, emphasized yesterday that the new Bulgarian republic would be a people's type of democracy, differing from the Soviet form. Bulgaria voted overwhelmingly on Sunday to scrap the Coburg dynasty and become a republic.

## Bulgaria Votes 95.7% For People's Republic

Bulgaria voted overwhelmingly for a republic in Sunday's plebiscite, foreign minister Georgi Kulichev announced yesterday, with only 4.3 percent of the votes favoring the monarchy.

Nine-year-old King Simeon II, of the Coburg dynasty, is expected to go into exile in Egypt.

Nearly complete returns showed 3,801,060 for the republic; 179,175 for the monarchy, and 119,168 votes invalid. Only 200,000 votes remained to be counted.

George Dimitrov, Communist leader, declared in a pre-election broadcast that Bulgaria would be a peo-

## U.S. Opposes Czech Plan On Hungarians

The United States came out yesterday against a Czechoslovak proposal to deport some 200,000 Hungarian nationals to Hungary. It was reported from the Paris peace parley.

The American stand came while the Czechoslovaks and the Hungarians were discussing a possible exchange of minorities and had already agreed to exchange war criminals.

But the U.S. ambassador to Moscow, Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, at a meeting of the Hungarian Political Committee, opposed what he called the "forcible transfer of population."

His stand involves a larger issue, since almost a million Polish and Baltic nationals are now in Germany and the U.S. has refused to have them returned.

Smith maintained Hungary could not afford to absorb 200,000 more people.

## State Dep't Refutes Senator Bridges on Yugoslav Steel

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9. — Charges of Sen. Styles Bridges (R-NH) that Yugoslavia is receiving steel rails from UNRRA at the expense of China were refuted today by both UNRRA and the U. S. State Department.

As part of the reactionary campaign to stop relief shipments to Yugoslavia, Bridges accused UNRRA of sinister political motives in transferring to Yugoslavia 7,458 tons of steel rails originally earmarked for Chiang Kai-shek.

A State Department spokesman pointed out the transfer was made almost a month ago when UNRRA placed an embargo on all but food shipments to China due to the failure of Chinese officials to guarantee efficient utilization of supplies. The shipments to Yugoslavia have in no way affected the Chinese relief program, he said.

## SHIPPING RAILS

Meanwhile, UNRRA has 17,100 tons of steel rails in Canadian warehouses which will be sent to China whenever its council lifts or eases the embargo. An additional 15 hundred tons to make up the total of 18,600 scheduled for China will be secured in the U. S., Canada or Australia, he said.

UNRRA has been shipping steel rails to all European countries it serves, the State Department spokesman declared. Greece has ob-

tained from UNRRA three times the amount sent Yugoslavia.

Steel rails are vital to the relief program, he pointed out, because, without improved transportation, surplus food produced in some Yugoslavia areas cannot be shifted to the mountain regions where need is acute.

UNRRA issued a similar statement.

President Joseph P. Ryan, czar of the AFL longshoremen, announced in New York his union would not load relief supplies for Yugoslavia until "proper action has been taken" against those responsible for shooting down two U. S. planes.

In rebuttal, a spokesman for the State Department said it considers proper action has already been taken. Marshal Tito has expressed regret for the incident and has given this government assurances against a recurrence, he said. The department was said to consider the incident closed except for a U. S. claim for indemnity which is now being discussed with Yugoslavia officials.

## Rap Chiang's Assembly Plan

The Chinese Communist Party yesterday criticized Chiang Kai-shek's plan to call unilaterally a National Assembly this November.

The CP threatened to hold an assembly of delegates from the liberated areas, if Chiang persists in his plan.

The Communist leader in Nan-king, Wang Ping-nan, said:

"Unless Chiang issues a sincere cease-fire order, he will be dividing China into two separate states."

A fight appeared to be imminent in the vicinity of Tsinling, 60 miles north of Tatung.

Central News reported Communists had captured Tatung's railway station and airfield, but that fighting continued in the streets.

The Communist New China News Agency admitted loss of five towns in eastern Hopeh, but claimed recapture of Tushan and Tsinlung.

## U.S. Must Ready For War—Royall

The United States must be ready to use the atomic bomb, according to Under-Secretary of War, Kenneth Royall, in a speech at Wrightsville Beach, North Carolina yesterday.

Royall revealed that "we are importing (scientists) from other nations, even former enemy nations."

The U.S. is stock-piling war strategic materials, he said, and is preparing to have an army of 4,500,000 in the first year of a new war.

Smaller forces are already prepared, he said.

## Bombs in Tel Aviv

Two powerful explosions shook the center of Tel Aviv early last night, sending into the second day a wave of bombings in Jerusalem, coinciding with the opening of the London conference on Palestine today.



## U.S. DISPLAYS PLANE POWER OVER ATHENS

A MIGHTY DISPLAY of American air strength over Athens was the farewell of the aircraft carrier USS Franklin D. Roosevelt. Seventy-three Navy fighters and bombers spelled out FDR in the sky as the fleet headed for Malta.

FIVE BRITISH DIVISIONS have arrived in Iraq in the last few days, Radio Moscow reported.

AMERICAN AUTHORITIES in Trieste arrested six Yugoslav soldiers said to have had five hand grenades in their possession. The arrest was evidently intended to pin on the Yugoslavs the throwing of a bomb at an Italian-occupied house and of another at British and American soldiers and Italian police Sunday who were breaking up a demonstration in memory of partisan dead.

The British cruiser Ajax arrived in Trieste harbor to replace the American cruiser Huntington. Both ships will be on hand for the next two days.

JEWS attacked the Tel Aviv-Jerusalem railroad in seven places, raided two trains, mined rail lines and killed a British police sergeant in Haifa. British troops prepared for another searching spree. . . . The London Palestine conference opens today.

## WORLD BRIEFS

FORMER NAZI AGENT Adelbedt Schulze is now employed by the Kuomintang, the New York Times revealed. Schulze was chief of the Peiping Nazi community's Gestapo during the Japanese occupation. He speaks fluent Russian and is now employed by the Supreme Military Council's bureau of investigation and statistics for North China.

## To Hold Memorial For Slain Greek

A memorial for Theodore Valis, Greek-American who was slain by monarchist bandits July 20, while on a visit to Greece, will be held Sept. 16, at the Brighton Community Center, Coney Island and Brighton Beach Aves., B'klyn.

The meeting is sponsored by the Brighton Committee for Russian Relief and the 13th A. D. American Labor Party. Valis, who lived in Brighton Beach, was active in these groups.

Valis came to this country in 1929, later becoming an American citizen. Returning to Greece in March, 1946, in an effort to trace his relatives, he was kidnapped after speaking at an anti-fascist meeting. His body was found with 18 bullets in it.



## LABOR and the NATION

## NMU Men Tell Why They Back Ship Strike

By Lester Rodney

In and around the National Maritime Union headquarters at W. 17 St. yesterday afternoon the men had a lot of different ideas on the striking Seafarers International Union, and the AFL in general, but on one point they were in almost solid agreement:

"What happens to those guys will affect all American workers. If they give this WSB (Wage Stabilization Board) power to break collective bargaining we'll all get hurt—us in the NMU, the auto workers, everybody. I think you'll find the average guy figures it the same way." The speaker! young Donald Lindenberg, utility seaman.

Louis Beilinson, fireman water tender, in the NMU since the day it was born, and, remembering lots of struggles and strikes, figured it the same way.

"Sure I'm for their strike," he said.

"Why shouldn't they get high wages? You know whose fault all this is? It's Truman's. He made this WSB and it's up to him now." Beilinson warmed up as he talked. "We seamen gotta' all stick together. Some day we may need the AFL guys on our side. Though," he added with a touch of bitterness, "some of them were scabbing in the Lakes strike not so long ago. They gotta' do what they're told, I guess, but they'll learn. I don't blame those kids. They're learning right now about all us sticking together. They see how the NMU men respect picket lines. They'll win, all right."

## HITS WSB

Stocky Junior Engineer Helge Nielson put it this way. "I feel it will help all American seamen if they win. It seems kind of funny. Things are supposed to be settled by collective bargaining, then

the WSB steps in and throws collective bargaining out."

Ivan Jackson of the Stewards' Department had this to say. "The strike is O.K. I'm for it, but I'm for more co-operation all along the line. I'm against that relief ship tie-up with food for Yugoslavia, I want to tell you. As for the SIU men, my own personal opinion is if they don't get their demands we should walk off with them. We have collective bargaining coming up, too, and now looks to me like the time to thrash this whole business out."

Just back from Greece, fireman water tender Pete Martinson, a veteran of the Sixth Armored Division, said he hadn't had time to study the strike situation closely yet, but "I think we should all support the strike. I read where some AFL leaders are collecting money to fight us, and that's a shame. What we need is

unity, and all us seamen to get the same decent wages." Martinson said conditions in Greece were "simply awful. I was ashore at Peirus and the people are disgusted with the government. Even high school kids I spoke to said the British should get out, and that Greeks would keep fighting until they were really free people."

## COOPERATION THE ONLY WAY

Joe Hilpourg, fireman water tender, said simply: "If seamen strike it's our strike, too, in a way, even if we don't like some of the policies of the AFL."

The same note was struck by F. Velando and F. Bustos, oilers.

"We all have to cooperate and get together on this. It's the only way out. If they fail to get their demands, which are 100 percent right, we in the CIO will get the same treatment next."



**Multiplication Problem:** Three's a crowd, but six of a kind is almost too much for one teacher in a Cheyenne, Wyo., school. Two sets of triplets in one room is no simple problem. But here they are—Kurt, Kent and Keith Barnes (in rear) and Renee, Reginald and Marie Hock.

Ickes, Kroll, Kingdon:

## Demand Truman Call An Emergency Congress

Three national organizations last night called on President Truman to convene immediately a special session of the 79th Congress to meet a "national emergency."

The demand, released as an open letter, was signed by Harold Ickes, executive chairman of the Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions; Jack Kroll, director of the CIO Political Action Committee, and Dr. Frank Kingdon, chairman of the National Citizens PAC.

The organizations recommended a four-fold legislative program for the special session's agenda. This included: a workable price control law, including meat rationing; a Federal Civil Rights Bill against lynching and the polltax, together with a bill setting up a permanent FEPC; the Wagner-Elender-Taft long-range housing bill, and legislation lowering immigration barriers to permit Jewish refugees to enter the United States.

The letter to the President follows in part:

"Today only a month since the long congressional vacation began, the sky-rocketing prices of basic commodities make a grim joke of the 'new' OPA law, a meat famine threatens the nation, over a million unhoused war veterans stand on

the threshold of another harsh winter, lynch terror spreads unchecked into community after community, and hundreds of thousands who survived Hitler's death pits face a living death in Europe's DP camps.

"Is this an emergency, Mr. President? It is—to housewives frantically trying to find meat for their table, and the money to pay for it. It is—to the families of veterans doubled up in a friend's home or forced to live apart. It is—to Negroes hiding in Georgia or Louisiana swamps.

"But perhaps some Congressmen do not believe it is an emergency. It is time they understand that their first responsibility is to take care of the interest of the people whom they are supposed to represent. At the same time, intelligent Congressmen will know that the

best political campaign they can make is to return to Washington to enact a legislative program that their constituents need, understand and appreciate.

"Therefore, Mr. President, you are respectfully urged to call Congress immediately into special session."

## Truck Tieup Hits Press in Purse

Most of the papers, led by the Times, eliminated all display advertising from their editions yesterday, because of a shortage of newsprint caused by the truck strike. Nevertheless despite their unusually skimpy size, the papers did not leave out any anti-labor stories. If anything, there were more than usual.

## THE ARROGANT MEAT TRUST

CHICAGO, Sept. 9.—The American Meat Institute today attempted to dodge responsibility for the new meat crisis by charging that the situation was caused by the restoration of OPA controls.

Livestock shipments to market

were among the lightest on record today.

In Chicago many shops had only chicken and cold cuts by afternoon.

In New York, 90 percent of the wholesalers were without meat, a Department of Agriculture spokesman said.

## Truck Drivers Solid In 2nd Week of Tieup

As the city's trucking tieup entered its second week today, employer groups were still balking at serious negotiations based on the men's demands. Support for the city's teamsters along the eastern seaboard remained solid, with an estimated 30,000 drivers cooperating in the fight of three AFL teamster locals here—807, 282 and 816—to improve wages and conditions of their members.

The city's food supply remained close to normal, despite scare stories appearing in the local boss press. A breakdown on the food situation issued by Commissioner of Markets Eugene G. Schulz showed supplies were normal or close to it in all key commodities except meat.

Schulz's figures for 30 communities blanketing the city showed meat stocks varying from 10 percent to normal in one community to 80 percent in several others. This shortage, however, was not caused by the truck tieup, but by the sharp decline in meat shipments as a result of the sitdown strike of the big

meatpackers against the reimposition of price ceiling by the OPA.

Schulz's figures for other commodities in the 30 communities covered in his survey were:

Butter—From 80 percent of normal to normal.

Eggs—80 percent to normal.

Milk—75 percent to normal.

Bread—50 percent to normal.

Fruit and Vegetables—80 percent to normal.

Fish—75 percent to normal.

Commenting on the food situation, Mayor William O'Dwyer said yesterday "supplies are normal and they are going to be normal too." He refused to elaborate on what he meant by the last phrase.

O'Dwyer also took the occasion yesterday to criticize the drivers who voted down his proposal of an 18½ cent hourly increase Sunday. Drivers had charged the O'Dwyer offer would give them only a \$1.50 weekly raise.

He blamed the union for the fact that negotiations were not in progress to settle the tieup, but said nothing about the employers who refused originally to negotiate on anything except their original six-cent an hour offer.

The IBT News, organ of the Rank and File of Local 807, yesterday congratulated the local's membership for its solidarity in repudiating local president John E. Strong for supporting O'Dwyer's proposals and issued an eight-point program to mobilize drivers for an all-out fight.

IBT News called Sunday's meeting "a mandate to our officials to proceed to organize a fight to bring the employers to terms."

The eight points were:

- Resume collective bargaining with the employers on the basis of the union's original 17 demands.
- Call a membership meeting to organize strike machinery.
- Open central headquarters.
- Elect a citywide strategy committee.
- Form a publicity committee to take the union's case to the public.
- Set up a relief committee.
- Appropriate funds to carry on the fight and meet the needs of the membership.
- Organize picketing wherever necessary.

Chain stores were leaping to the

support of the truck bosses by putting out scare reports on food and threatening layoffs if the tieup lasted until the end of the week. About 1,000 workers were laid off by the National Sugar Refining Co. in Long Island City.

Supplies of cigarets were also a little short and several stores were already rationing supplies.

## Wage Board Reviews Sea Pay Issue Today

The Wage Stabilization Board meeting in Washington today was scheduled to reconsider its ruling which precipitated the nationwide maritime tie-up.

This ruling had cut back the wage increases granted the AFL seamen from \$27.50 monthly on the east coast and \$22.50 on the west coast to \$17.50 which had been won by the CIO seamen last June.

Ports were shut tight as CIO seamen and longshoremen west, south and east, and AFL longshoremen refused to pass the picket lines.

The Committee for Maritime Unity which unites CIO and independent maritime workers is meeting in Washington, D. C., today to plan a future course of action. While supporting the AFL workers, the CMU is demanding similar increases and a uniform nationwide agreement for maritime workers.

The Atlantic Seaboard wage scale conference of the International Longshoremen's Association has drawn up wage demands to be put forth at a meeting this week with the shipowners.

The longshoremen are demanding \$2 an hour for straight time and \$3.50 an hour for overtime. This represents an increase of 50 cents an hour. In addition vacation time is being demanded for all longshoremen.

## TO USE TROOPS

Army sources who declined to be quoted directly, according to United Press, said troops would be moved into the Atlantic and Gulf ports to load supplies aboard Army and Navy transports if the White House gives them the go-ahead.

Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwelienbach and other top administration figures in Washington were meeting in search of a settlement.



# Michigan AVC Wins Ban on Hotel Jimcrow

By William Allan

DETROIT, Sept. 9.—Discrimination against Negro World War II veterans attempted by the Barium Hotel received a smashing setback when the American Veterans Committee holding its state convention at the hotel, won an injunction restraining the hotel from barring Negro veterans from an AVC convention dance Saturday night.

This is the first time this notorious Jimcrow hotel has been smacked into line and today all progressive Detroit was lauding the initiative of AVC in dealing a real blow against Jimcrow here.

The convention of 107 delegates from 40 chapters in their platform debate called upon the President and the State Department to close the breach which has been created between the victorious Allies.

The convention declared, "Their wartime unity is even more sorely needed now to construct a people's peace within the framework for UN."

While not putting itself on record in actual words for a national bonus, the convention asked for "Congress to provide adequate compensation for past services rendered that we may meet our pressing problems of the moment. Also we call upon the people of Michigan to support the November referendum for a veterans bonus."

## ASK STATE BONUS

The vets also called for the state bonus to be financed not from the pockets of veterans and those least able to pay but it must be financed by those "with the ability to pay."

Planks in the platform called for emergency housing without further stalling for veterans; adequate public health aid to veterans; for passage of a minimum wage law in Michigan of 75 cents an hour; for teachers in the state a minimum of \$2,500 a year salary; state assistance to farmers; vigorous prosecution of monopolies and for support to the democratic structure of the nation instead of private enterprise.

Other planks asked a state subsidy to supplement federal appropriations for student veterans, also an additional \$35 per month for veteran students and an additional \$10 for each child of married students; discrimination against veterans in any state educational in-

stitution should be reason for that institution being dropped or used by the Veterans Administration. The same policy to apply to employers who practice discrimination; for a seamen's bill of rights; for a state FEPC.

The Michigan AVC elected Robert

Wolpe state president; Joe Velowsky vice-president; Miss Kay Alvey secretary and Albert Letvin treasurer. Wolpe is a former president of Teamsters Local 285, and served three years in the Navy.

The convention also set a goal of 50,000 new members.

# UE Reports Big Advance on Eve Of Nat'l Parley

By George Morris

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 9.—The stage was being set here for a big convention battle as some 800 delegates representing 600,000 workers under contracts of the CIO United

Electrical, Radio and Machine

Workers registered yesterday.

The convention, marking the tenth anniversary of the UE, third largest CIO union, will open at Milwaukee Auditorium tomorrow morning.

Among notables to address its sessions during the week are CIO president Philip Murray, probably on Tuesday; Sen. Claude Pepper and Jack Kroll, director of the CIO Political Action Committee.

Proud of the UE's record as among the fastest-growing and most progressive unions in the country, its officers will report an increase of contracts from 578 in 1941 to 1,375 today. Average wages in the industry were raised by 63 cents an hour since 1936.

As further indication of its progress, they report the number of workers with paid vacations grew from 189,000 in 1941 to 547,000 now. For the same period the number covered by night bonus provisions jumped from 250,000 to 515,000.

## WON 18 1/2% INCREASE

The union came through the 1946 strike successfully, winning 18 1/2 cents an hour raises for a big majority of its members.

With the record under their belt, president Albert J. Fitzgerald, secretary-treasurer Julius Emspak and

organization director James Maties appear to show little fear of the noisy group of red-baiters that blossomed out anew in recent weeks.

The attempt of this so-called "Committee for Democratic Action" to inject red-baiting into the union's life and even pass an anti-Communist clause, will undoubtedly figure as a major controversy on the convention floor. But this correspondent, having covered most previous UE conventions, finds the line-up of forces essentially about the same as the past when the red-baiters were severely trounced. The issues are the same, with the leaders, James B. Carey, former president, and Harry Block, vice-president from Philadelphia, also the same.

The Block-Carey forces this time are counting on the tremendous press publicity they received throughout the country.

## LEARNS FROM DELEGATES

In talks with delegates from many cities I learned that almost every newspaper publisher in UE cities favored the Block-Carey group with at least a series of articles on their supposed good chances to seize the UE now.

This convention will show whether red-baiting newspaper publicity produces any extra votes. Undoubtedly this convention will also decide the result of the current reactionary concentration against the CIO's most progressive unions.

The UE is the largest and most important union on the list of targets.

The opposition combines several groups, principally the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists, the Socialists and Trotskyites. Judging by the list of some 250 resolutions submitted to the convention, the opposition locals got in less than half a dozen red-baiting propositions. On the other hand, more than 50 resolutions commend the officers and denounce red-baiting.

The next largest group of resolutions express sharp opposition to the Truman Administration's domestic and foreign policy, with resolutions calling for more vigorous support of the World Federation of Trade Unions next.

Another controversy looms over dues per capita, with the administration asking for an increase of 15 cents per monthly capita from locals over the present 35 cents. This the officers point out, is absolutely essential if the union is to make good its program of progress and expansion.

Speed-up and chiseling on wage rates, is another hot issue that will figure on the convention floor. This is evident by the large number of resolutions calling for control and restraint upon employer practices.



**KICK-OFF!** Chorines take this way of telling you that the kick-off of the political campaign takes place Sept. 12 at a Madison Square Garden Rally to mobilize independent anti-Dewey forces in the state. The Broadway show girls pictured here are (left to right): Meryl Saphro, Jane English, Harriet Praver, and Sara Bettis (standing).

# NMU Signs 2 More Ship Lines on Lakes

DETROIT, Sept. 9.—Texs Oil and Inland Steel S. S. Co. have signed contracts with the CIO National Maritime Union, it was announced here today. Texas granted the hiring hall, closed-shop clause and Inland signed on the same basis as Bethlehem, 48-44-40, and overtime rates.

These two settlements leave only three companies now operating 12 ships on the list of struck companies. They are Nicholson with 10, American Steel and Wire with one, and Jupiter one.

At a meeting of the Port of Detroit NMU membership, a resolution of support to the SIU and sailors union strike was adopted and sent out to all lake ports for similar action.

# Anti-Lynch Crusade Gets Support of Veterans

Special to the Daily Worker

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 9.—New endorsements for the mammoth demonstration "An American Crusade to End Lynchings" to be held here Sept. 23, came yesterday from the National Negro Congress council here.

The demonstration is called to coincide with the 84th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation.

"This crusade will give substance to the campaign to get the ballot for the voiceless citizens of Washington," stated Mrs. Marie M. Harris, NNC executive secretary, "and to the most vital first step in this campaign—denial of a seat in the U. S. Senate to Theodore Bilbo."

Additional endorsements came from the New York state chapter of the United Negro and Allied Vet-

erans who has pledged to send 1,000 veterans to Washington. Already UNAVA has collected 5,000 signatures on petitions and enough contributions to send 50 veterans to Washington.

In an appeal to all veterans with cars and trucks to join in the crusade, UNAVA officers stated: "We expect all veterans to join in this fight against those who would deny the Negro the right to live in this, our country, which so many Negroes died for."

Co-sponsors of the demonstration are Paul Robeson and Dr. Albert Einstein. Other prominent participants and sponsors include Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, Lena Horne, Reid Robinson, Lloyd K. Garrison, Orson Welles, Jack Kroll, Joe Louis and Dr. Adam Clayton Powell.



# Investors Sell as Stocks Decline Again

THE STOCK MARKET broke again yesterday as investors poured selling orders into Wall Street to lower stock values by three billion dollars. Losses in individual issues amounted to as much as 7 1/2 points, a severe slump but not as bad as last Tuesday when stocks dipped as much as 17 points for the worst slump in nine years.

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Pittsburgh's Duquesne Light Co. were scheduled to strike at midnight last night, cutting off electricity for 1,500,000 people, over 817 square miles, stopping the city's industrial machine and bringing the public transit system to a standstill. Members of an independent union, the workers are demanding a 20 percent wage increase, a closed shop and changes in the contract.

THE BARDSTOWN VICTORY, an 8,000-ton United Fruit Co. vessel, ran aground yesterday off Point Bonita, Cal., with 1,100 troops aboard. Army, Navy and Coast Guard ships shoved off in a pea-soup fog to aid the ship which reported that it was in no danger of breaking up.

This nation's first census was taken in 1790. At that time there were approximately 4,000,000 persons in the United States.

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## NEW YORK

# Thompson to Run for Comptroller; CP Withdraws Other Candidates

By Max Gordon

ALBANY, Sept. 9.—The Communist Party of New York will run state chairman Robert Thompson as its sole nominee for state-wide office, it was announced here today. Thompson, battalion commander in the Spanish War for democracy and holder of the Distinguished Service Medal in World War II, will be candidate for State Comptroller against Frank C. Moore, Republican incumbent, and Spencer-Young, Democratic-ALP nominee.

Declinations were filed today with the Secretary of State's office here for the state-wide ticket originally named by petition, and Thompson's name was substituted for that of Mario Guidoni.

Thompson was candidate for Governor on the ticket withdrawn today. Councilman Benjamin J. Davis was the nominee for U. S. Senate, Israel Amter for Lt. Governor, Bella V. Dodd for attorney general, and Guidoni for Comptroller.

The decision to run Thompson as the sole candidate was made yesterday by the Communist State Committee at an all day session in New York at which election tactics were fully aired.

## NOMINATE THOMPSON

Thompson was nominated by Councilman Davis after a decision to run a candidate for Comptroller only had been made. The nomination was seconded by several union leaders and veterans.

In filing the withdrawals and substitution here this afternoon, the Communist Party Election Campaign Committee released a brief statement telling why it had been decided not to run candidates for the main offices.

The reasons given were twofold. First the party believes Gov. Dewey and the state GOP organization is the political center of reaction in the state and must be defeated.

Second, a common electoral front has been established between the labor and progressive coalition built around the American Labor Party, and the Democratic Party in order to defeat Dewey and all reactionary Republican candidates for Congress. The Communists believe that this common "front" must be maintained this fall.

The State Committee meeting was sharply critical of the position taken on foreign policy on the Democratic Party state platform and of the red-baiting both in the platform and in Sen. James M. Mead's speech accepting the Democratic nomination for Governor.

The committee made it clear that the electoral front was a temporary, limited move designed to defeat extreme reaction this fall and to unify the progressive and labor groups in the state behind a program such as was projected recently by a coalition of the state and city CIO organizations, the state ALP, the Citizens Political Action Committee and the Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions.

The committee meeting urged that this coalition be extended to include other labor groups, Negro and farm organizations. It also urged that the coalition carry on a powerful independent campaign on the basis of its program.

The Election Campaign Committee said it had been decided to run an independent Communist candidate for the one office because that would give the Party a greater opportunity to make the issues in the election clear, and hence to aid the entire campaign against Dewey.

Speaking for the committee, Simon W. Gerson, campaign director, emphasized that the Party had determined upon an energetic campaign for the Communist candidate as well as for all other candidates backed by the labor-progressive coalition.

## ON THE BALLOT

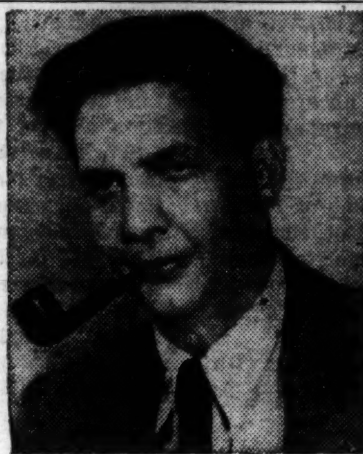
He said, however, that the fight of the Party to remain on the ballot was by no means over. Local GOP leaders and some old-line Legion leaders were making efforts to terrorize signers of the Communist petition in upstate counties with the object of getting them to repudiate their signatures.

The Communist Party Campaign Committee, in its statement, said in part:

"Our decision was made not in any spirit of narrow partisan consideration. It arose out of the responsibility we feel in helping unite New York's progressive voters against Republican reaction. If all forces in the electoral front remain firm against Dewey's red-baiting the defeat of Republican reaction can be accomplished."

Bob Thompson, hero of World War II and veteran of the war against Franco in Spain, symbolizes the deathless opposition of the Communists to fascist barbarism. The patriotic struggle he now leads against those who would drag us into World War III is a continuation of his fighting ability which won for him the Distinguished Service Cross for "extraordinary heroism" in New Guinea against the Japanese.

Thompson will enlarge on the Communist position in the elections tonight at 8:15 p.m. on a statewide hookup originating from WJZ in New York.



ROBERT THOMPSON  
CP Candidate

## Vets Parade For Prescott House

Ex-GIs paraded with neighborhood children, Campfire Girls and teen-age boys through the East Fifties yesterday in an intensive community drive for funds to avert sale of Prescott Neighborhood House, 247 E. 53 St.

The vets, who were supplied cars for the parade by the East Midtown chapter of the American Veterans Committee, addressed several street corner meetings throughout the day.

## Tompkins Sq. Pickets Demonstrate at Stores

Housewives on lower Avenue C yesterday took to the picket line to fight high living costs and to demand President Truman call a special congressional session to beat inflation.

Up at 7 a.m., more than 55 women gathered at Seventh St. and Ave. C under the auspices of the Tompkins Sq. Consumers Council, an affiliate of the New York Buyers' Strike Committee.

Throughout the day they marched with placards in front of local pushcarts and butcher and dairy stores, reminding shoppers that "No Buy Day" is a weapon against profiteers who are putting the squeeze on retailers and consumers alike.

Many local retailers closed cooperatively for the day. Others who refused to close found themselves standing in empty stores or before laden pushcarts with no buyers.

Among shut shops were Tannenbaum's Dairy and Grocery, W. L. Dairy Egg Specialists and A. & W. Fleischer, butcher store. Pasted signs on their windows said, "This store is cooperating. Support Buyers' Strike." Only open shops were picketed.

Many dairy stores, closed for gen-

eral business, sold milk only from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. in agreement with the consumer group.

Early in the morning a man claiming to represent the Commissioner of Markets threatened pushcart dealers who cooperated with the consumer group. When one of the pickets started to check with the Department of Markets, the man disappeared. A late street rally climaxed the day.

## Davis, Connally To Speak at Rally

City Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., and Eugene P. Connolly will address a consumer rally this Saturday, Sept. 14, at Tenth St. and First Ave. The rally, called by the East Side Price Committee, will also hear Rep. Arthur G. Klein, and Mrs. Lillian Oringer of the American Jewish Congress chapter.

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## Employees Will Ask Boro Heads To Back Salary Raises

Over 1,000 City employees will visit the Boro Presidents of Manhattan, Bronx, and Brooklyn, today (Tuesday) and Thursday, as part of delegations organized by the CIO United Public Workers of America, to secure official support for the union's program of a 26 cents-an-hour wage increase for city employees.

City employees participating in the delegation will represent 20 city departments. The delegations will base their appeal on increased living costs and inadequate salary scales averaging less than \$35 a week.

Jack Bigel, president of the New York District, UPWA, called on all city employees to join the delega-

tions. "Since 1939," Bigel said, "according to Bureau of Labor statistics, living costs in New York City have risen 70 percent. Wage increases received by city workers represent a small fraction of this amount even including mandatory and merit increases for outstanding and efficient service."

Bigel warned of a depletion of trained personnel in the municipal services because of inadequate wages. "Many of these underpaid workers are veterans," he continued, "who have brought back to civilian life skills acquired in the armed forces. These men will be lost to the City of New York if they do not receive wage increases immediately."

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# Change the World

By Mike Gold

MY brother George never lost a certain innocence of heart. He never acquired in 46 years of living any of that dreadful commercial sophistication of today, that talks so glibly about "selling yourself," and how much "money there is" in doing this or that job.

George was no weakling but fully able to take care of himself in danger or difficulty. Neither was he competitive or acquisitive. He was born ahead of his time in commercial America. The fact remains, George didn't fit too easily into our commercial culture, and millions of plain American proletarians are like him.

At various times, he engaged in small enterprises, like building furniture or doing house carpentry on contract. Then there was the children's camp he conducted for over 12 summers, and the after-school workshop and playroom he conducted with his wife, Gert.

Some people tried gypping him because he couldn't be hard-boiled about money. I remember one eminent young divorced author who left his badly-neglected, neurotic boy of seven under George's care for several years.

The kid was a bed-wetter, a thief, a liar and a coward—all of it the fault of his selfish Bohemian parents. George and Gert, his wife, gave the child the love and understanding he needed. It was



difficult and at times a disgusting job to handle. I wondered where Gert and George found the faith to go on with this poor kid. And for almost a year they received not a cent for his board, though the father was earning over \$100 a week and the mother was working, too.

THE neurotic mother finally popped in one night with a strange man and they took the kid without paying a penny or saying a word of thanks. George was broke at the time; he needed the money for his own family. But the incident left him unshaken.

"I expected something like this," he said. "They are just lousy specimens of bourgeois humanity."

"Can't you sue him or something? He must owe a couple of hundred dollars."

"Let him keep it, if he is such a louse. Also, we got interested in fixing up the kid. I think we finally saved him."

George was that way with carpentry, too, or any other work. He enjoyed any work better when he wasn't doing it for money. Money seemed to get in the way of the work. George was always doing "friendship" jobs in carpentry and the like for his friends.

He was, when all is said, an artist. The word has come to have a lot of foolish and frivolous meanings. But the true artist is a grand human figure, as pure a specimen of the Communist future as one finds in the terrible capitalist arena of today.

George found himself in working with children, because of the art in him. Kids

fell in love with him the moment they met. I saw it happen with my own boys. He never talked down to a kid. His way of teaching them was simply to make work seem more interesting than chaos and destruction. He taught them how to make things; his hands were always busy, and the kids imitated him.

George had wonderful hands, big, strong and plastic. He could do almost anything with those wonderful tools, it seemed; plumbing, carpentry, painting, growing fine flower and vegetable gardens, anything.

The kids saw his hands always busy making things—carving, whittling, carpentering, metal-working, teaching by example, rather than by exhortation. George's kids all learned to make beautiful and useful things with their hands.

WHEN, in his last sickness, the word got round that George needed blood transfusions, dozens of friends appeared. But the kids wanted to help George, too. A group of them asked Gert whether they could go to the hospital and help George. She told them blood was never taken from kids for this purpose.

"We know that," said one of the kids, a nine-year-old. "But we figured out that each of us could give a little blood, just a child's portion, and then, all of our blood put together, would be as much as a grown-up's share."

George was a very original crafts teacher, I believe, inventing constantly, and getting his kids to see, dare and experiment. He sometimes sketched and

showed a sensitive feeling for form and color, but never had time to develop. In his last few years he would often fool around with clay—he was a natural sculptor, I believe.

Yet more than half of his feelings, ambitions, thoughts and labors were thrown into the "movement." From the time he ran away from home at 16 to become a migratory worker and IWW organizer, George never lost his faith in the "singing tomorrow" of communism.

He worked at it as seriously as he did at his professional work. No spotlights or publicity ever tickled his vanity, nor did he receive any other reward. He was just a natural proletarian Communist.

George's swell comrade-wife, Gert, is a German-American girl from Greenpoint. Her grandfather was a Forty-Eighter, one of that great breed of German immigrants who brought Marxism to America. During the Nazi decade, Gert, the German, and George, the Jew, and their children, never found any racial note disturbing their love. For the great ideas of world fraternity, which are the foundation of Marxism and communism, united this family, as they unite millions of others.

Good-bye, beloved brother. You were an artist and a good man and a good Communist! You perished of cancer, and so are millions of other Americans who could be saved, if humanity ruled here ahead of atom bombs and profiteering. Good-bye, you were gentle and good; and your kind will inherit the earth, write an end to all the pushers, killers and profiteers of capitalism!

## Letters from Our Readers

### Canvassers Needed For November Elections

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The campaign headquarters of the National Citizens Political Action Committee has an urgent responsibility. It is organizing independent citizens to win elections which can bring peace and progress to American affairs.

The National Citizens PAC campaign headquarters also has an urgent need for volunteers, for people who will perform serv-

ices vital to winning the 1946 election campaign.

The time: a morning, an afternoon, an evening, any day from Monday through Saturday, from now to Election Day.

The place: Hotel Forrest, 224 West 49<sup>th</sup> Street, New York City.

The telephone: Circle 6-3000, Extension 17.

We assure you, too, that your volunteer time will be efficiently organized.

BETTY GOULD, Chairman  
Volunteer Committee.

### 'Daily' Makes Things Tick

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

John Hudson Jones has been aiming some powerful blows at the lynchers and anti-Negro terrorists in this country. In fact, some of his recent articles in my opinion, have been the best printed in the DW in recent years.

Also, I think Harold Mehling is a fine writer and a good reporter. His article on inflation was the best of all the other papers.

I have noticed a change taking place in the style of the DW. Hooray! There is no reason in the world why DW shouldn't be the liveliest, most human, and yet most clear and leading paper in America. There is more happening in this country today than in many a period of American history. There is terrific drama in every news report. The DW, with its deep understanding of what makes things tick should lead the way for good reading.

I don't propose imitating other

papers, but a few things could be noticed in some of them. I am all out for the DW but I want it to be a real humdinger. When I try to recruit a new member for the Party, I really want a good paper to do it with.

L. H.

### Fascists and Red-Baiters One and Same

Bronx, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Every fascist, from Hitler to Rankin, is or was (depending upon whether he is alive or dead) Anti-Communism and it is their main weapon against democracy and the people.

Quisling, Petain, Mikhailovitch, Roxas and all the others who collaborated with the fascists during the war are (or were) anti-Communist. Because the leaders of the U. S. government and the government of Great Britain are anti-Communist, they are supporting the fascist government of Spain, Greece, Turkey, China, etc.

Mrs. Roosevelt and other liberals who repeat anti-Communist lies should remember this.

D. DAVIDSON

### Liked Labor Day Edition

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I want to congratulate you and the staff on the Labor Day edition of the Worker. I have been in the Party since 1932 and I must admit this was the best.

However, I must criticize you for the lack of space that was given to the Negro people. Murray, Kroll, Merrill, Gold, Dennis, Foster—very good. But in addition to Doxey Wilkerson, what about Councilman Davis, Paul Robeson, Joe Louis and many more I could call.

I am sure that if we had more statements by outstanding Negro leaders, the paper would have been even better.

M. WATKINS.



VETS' VOICE

## VFW Meet Stymies Young Vets

By Joseph Clark

Some of the delegates who attended the Veterans of Foreign Wars convention learned a lot at the 47th national encampment in Boston.

At least one of the few Negro delegates present learned that top leaders of the organization won't do anything to end discrimination.

When the Negro people were slandered by a delegate who protested he had been sent to a house where Negroes lived, a Negro vet from the Bronx got up to the microphone. He asked that the convention come out against discrimination, but the chair ruled him out of order.

World War II delegates from Boston learned that the old-line World War I leaders were not going to allow the new vets to assume any important posts of leadership in the national organization.

"Per capita taxation without representation is tyranny," is the way the young vets from the Hub city put it. But because World War II men had only 10 percent of the votes at the convention, they couldn't do anything about it. They were stymied even though they make up more than 75 percent of the VFW membership.

And those World War II vets who remained till the end of their first caucus meeting really got an earful. Delegate after delegate got up to suggest finding ways

and means of getting representation for the younger vets in the leadership.

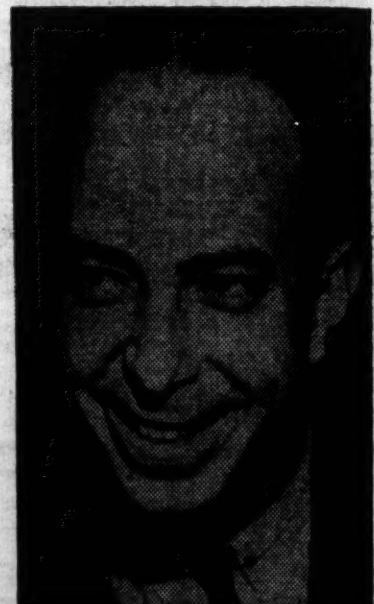
But finally the chair was turned over to past commander James Van Zandt of Pennsylvania. He explained that a slick bunch of politicians ran the organization. When he saw the press was represented, he modified that statement. He said he didn't mean that in criticism of the leaders. He was one of the "experienced" politicians he had in mind when he made that statement.

### SMOKE FILLED ROOMS

What he was driving at, he told the ex-GIs present, was that it takes "streamlined" politics to lead the organization. If the World War II vets wanted a break, they would have to learn the same kind of politics. They would have to be able to lay votes on the table, bargain, trade and participate in smoke-filled hotel rooms to make their influence felt.

In many ways the convention was a paradox. Though there was red-baiting aplenty, with the big brass attacking the Soviet Union, a resolution was passed calling for a democratic orientation program among occupation troops.

The main point in this resolution was that we will be menaced by a resurgent fascism in Germany and Japan unless democratic education prevails in the Army.



WYATT

Vets backed his program

United Nations unity was the main target of German Nazi propaganda, the resolution said and the GIs must learn how to see through this Nazi smokescreen.

Despite this, the Nazi spirit of red-baiting was accepted in the anti-Communist resolutions passed by the convention.

Another obvious contradiction was the resolution calling for U. S. monopoly of the atomic bomb. Just the day before that was adopted, Admiral W. H. P. Blandy told delegates the atomic scientists believe other nations would have the bomb within two or

three years.

A good example of democracy in action, despite the convention machine, was the fight for a decent housing program. Several resolutions had been placed before the housing committee calling for support to the Wagner-Ellender-Taft bill. It was not reported out and was kept bottled up in committee.

Delegate after delegate got up at the convention and demanded action on the bill. When the chairman tried to get the motion tabled, a tremendous No came back in his face. The convention endorsed the bill.

Another incident which shows how hot the issue of housing is was Housing Expeditor Wyatt's part at the convention.

Before he arrived, the convention publicity machine turned out releases telling how the delegates were going to put him on the spot. But when Wyatt explained to the housing committee just how construction was being held up by high prices and lack of strong priorities, the committee voted to give Wyatt tremendous powers to get both price control and housing priorities. The convention adopted that program with enthusiasm.

Summed up, the convention showed that World War II vets have joined the organization in large numbers. But they are still a long ways from playing their rightful part in its leadership.

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## THE SWAG



## Reject Red-Baiting

THE American labor movement has a big stake in the current AFL seamen's strike. That's why the other unions are rallying behind the seamen. What the Wage Stabilization Board decision which caused the strike means, is that all labor faces frozen wages and rising prices. It endangers all other unions which are reopening negotiations for wages and better working conditions.

That is why the AFL teamster strike is so important, too. It is strong because the militant rank and file has taken a direct hand in its leadership and direction.

Because these things point up labor's determination to win a decent standard for themselves and their families, big business has organized a drive to destroy labor unity.

On Sunday the New York Times editorialized that what is new and objectionable (in its big business point of view) about present labor struggles, is that labor "organization is more effective."

To win the Times' objective, a small, divided and ineffective labor movement is needed. So it assigned its labor "expert" Louis Stark to do a job.

In a front-page article, Stark attacks CIO president Philip Murray for failing to support the disruptive and factional activities of an organized, red-baiting clique within the CIO. Stark singles out the CIO United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, and Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers for his special attentions.

Stark bluntly pressures Murray to undertake a witch-hunt in the CIO.

The red-baiting clique in the above unions has accepted the employers' platform of dividing the workers. It wants to undermine the CIO platform of unity without regard to race, creed and color.

Murray, as he put it in his Chicago speech to the Steelworkers wage conference, prefers to fight for "OPA, better housing, increased veterans' compensation and enactment of FEPC."

Big Business wants to defeat those demands; it wants to stave off labor's demands to renegotiate contracts today.

That is why it sponsors the red-baiting attempt to divide and destroy the labor movement. The unions will reject the red-baiting advice of their enemies.

## 'A New Western Bloc'

IF YOU want to understand the real meaning of the Secretary of State's speech on Germany, you have only to study what his best friends are saying about it.

For example, there is that Belgian Social-Democrat, Paul Henry Spaak—the tool of the imperialist powers, as usual.

In his view, Byrnes is proposing a "new western bloc" in Europe. If you were so naive as to think that the United States is seeking the integration of a new democratic Germany into the new Europe, you're mistaken. Mr. Spaak knows better. He says in so many words, that the U. S. is dividing Europe, building an iron curtain around the western part of it.

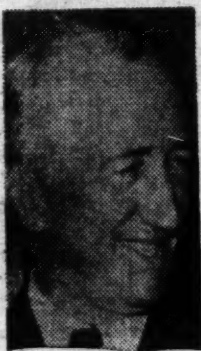
And the core of this bloc will be—Germany. Will it be a democratic Germany, led by the working people of that country after they have purged the cartel industrialists and politicians, after they have paid their debt to the United Nations?

Oh no, it will be the same German imperialism as before—just cut in half and backed this time by the U. S. A.

Against whom would such a Germany be directed? According to Byrnes himself, we don't want to direct Germany against anybody. But Spaak knows better for he interprets Byrnes as meaning a "new western bloc" against the Soviet Union and new democracies of Eastern Europe.

All of this is supposed to pass for a peaceful policy, you understand, even an anti-Nazi policy. But Spaak has no illusions. He knows Byrnes speaks for Wall Street.

"A new western bloc . . ." this evokes strange memories of Munich. It's the old idea that Chamberlain tried. Now our country is being led in Chamberlain's path, and Mr. Spaak is acute enough to recognize the difference, namely that American imperialism replaces Britain in the driver's seat of the Munich chariot.



BYRNES



SPAAK

## More Profits on Less Steel

By A. R. Onda

YOUNGSTOWN.

Some recent developments in steel show clearly that the immediate results of the reactionary offensive within our country are: bigger profits for the steel monopolists; lower wages, lower living standards for the steel workers.

While the total steel production for the first six months of this year is LESS than for the same period last year—the total dividends paid out to stockholders of the steel corporations was BIGGER for the first six months of this year than for the same period last year.

Here are three specific examples. Bethlehem Steel—its production for the first quarter of 1946 was 99 percent of capacity as against only 49.7 percent for the same quarter of this year. For the second quarter of 1945, Bethlehem's production was 98.2 percent of capacity as against 77.5 percent for the same quarter of 1946. Yet—with this greatly curtailed production, Bethlehem profits were 3½ million dollars MORE for the first six months of this year than for the same period last year when the war was still on.

### SHARES UP 64 PERCENT

Republic Steel reaped a gross profit of over 11½ million dollars for the three (3) month period ending June 30, 1946. The dividend paid was 78 cents a share as compared with 49 cents a share for the same 3-month period last year. This is an increase of 64 percent.

In addition to the dividends paid to stockholders for these three months, Republic set aside \$2,983,200 into the reserve fund and another \$3,500,000 was set aside for federal taxes.

Thomas Steel, a "little" steel fabricating concern of Warren, Ohio, reported a net profit for the six month period ending June, 1946 equal to \$19.43 a share of preferred stock and \$1.02 on common. (It was the "little" fabricating concerns who held out against the 18½-cent wage increase after the basic producers had settled).

The question arises: How was it possible for the steel monopoly

to reap a wartime level of profit on a peacetime level of production; with the added costs due to the steel and coal strikes, and despite the added 18½-cent hourly wage increase won by the steel union through its successful January strike?

This profiteering was carried through at the expense of the wage and living standards of the steel workers and the public generally. First and foremost, these super profits were made possible by wrecking price controls. The steel moguls were in the front line of the fight to raise prices. The Truman administration accommodated them. The steel trust got a price increase on steel to more than make up for the increased costs due to the wage increase won by labor. While the steel barons yell bloody murder at even the mention of reopening the wage agreements, they continue their drive for still higher prices for steel and steel products.

### PRESIDENT HARD-BOILED

While President Truman gets hard boiled against what he considers the "unreasonable" demands of labor, he is a most willing servant for raising the prices and profits of the steel monopoly.

Mr. Eugene Grace, president of Bethlehem Steel, in his recent report to stockholders, mentioned the "need" for higher prices on pig iron. A few days later, pig iron prices went up \$2 a ton! Mr. Grace has more to say in Washington than all of the steel workers put together.

A second important factor that made this profiteering by the steel trusts possible is this: While the Truman administration granted a price increase on steel to cover a general 18½-cent hourly wage increase—the average hour-

ly earnings in the steel industry rose only by one-half a cent!

The average hourly earnings for May of 1946 were only one-half cent more than for May, 1945! This fact is reported by the Steel Institute in its June report on wages paid by the industry.

How was it possible to raise every wage worker's pay 18½ cents an hour, while their hourly earnings go up only one-half a cent? The report answers this riddle too by pointing out: first, by eliminating overtime work and the time and a half overtime pay. Overtime work and pay have been practically outlawed in the industry as a whole.

### BRUTAL WORK SCHEDULED

Since the basic steel plants must work 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and overtime is prohibited, the companies have instituted a most brutal method of work schedules. Under the schedules it is common for a man to work 8 to 10 days at a stretch—with no overtime pay. Second: while hourly wages were increased 18½, there was no increase for tonnage or piece rates. Tonnage earnings are a big part of the total wages in basic steel. Piece rate bonuses are a big part of the wages paid in steel fabrication. On this part of the wages paid, there was no added costs to the steel trust. And lastly, by down-grading, re-timing of jobs and actual cuts in piece rates.

By these three methods, 18 cents of the 18½ cent wage increase was wiped out in the industry. Had the CIO not resisted the monopoly's attacks against wage standards, the average hourly earnings in steel would now be 18 cents LESS than they were a year ago.

(To be concluded tomorrow)

## Worth Repeating

Attention Randolph Churchill:

"For even when we were with you we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat." Second Epistle of Paul the Apostle to the Thesalonians, Chapter III, Paragraph 10.



# Poland Developing New Type Economic System

By Allied Labor News

WARSAW, Sept. 9.—The Polish government is encouraging the development of private enterprise but it has no intention of letting big bankers or industrialists control the nation's economy. In this way, the economic system of postwar Poland differs from the practices of both the Soviet Union and the big capitalist countries, Hilary Minc, Polish Minister for Industry, told ALN this week.



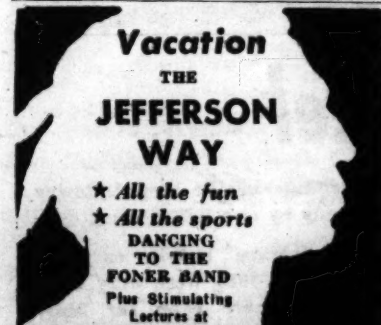
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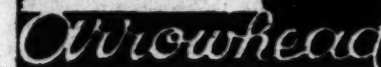
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"We have capitalists in Poland," Minc said, "but not big ones. We have no finance capital, no domination of banks, trusts, cartels. It is not big capital, but the state which holds the rudder."

In contrast to the USSR, he pointed out, the base of Polish agriculture will continue to be individual farming. However, modern machinery will be available to even the smallest farms through the Peasant Self Help Union, which secures implements that can serve entire villages, although farms are individually owned.

Before the war, domination by a small group of large landowners and by foreign capital meant low wages for the workers, and consequently no purchasing power. Poland could not develop industrially because its people could not afford to buy even the bare necessities of life.

Now, Minc explained, the gov-

ernment has worked out a policy in cooperation with the trade unions which aims at raising wages in line with increased production. At the same time, as output rises, prices are cut. In this way, there is no danger of inflation and yet the living standards of the workers improve daily.

Already, he said, over-all production has reached 75 percent of the prewar figure. This was achieved although 50 percent of Poland's industrial equipment was destroyed by the Germans and the rest was severely damaged.

There has been no serious strike in Poland since the liberation. Both the workers and peasants have at times grumbled over the difficulties facing them, but both sections of the population have been able to see a gradual but steady improvement in their conditions and have stuck to the job of reconstruction.

# Puerto Ricans Greet First Native Governor

By Juan Santos Rivera

(Executive Secretary, Communist Party of Puerto Rico)

SAN JUAN, Sept. 3 (By Mail). — More than 40,000 Puerto Ricans paraded today to greet the inauguration of Jesus T. Pinero, first native-born governor of the island.

The Puerto Rican Communist Party has declared that the colonial regime was not changed basically by the naming of a native-born governor. Most people believe that Pinero can play a role in the people's interests if he stands up

against U. S. imperialist policy.

## THE PEOPLE MARCH

In the parade, peasants marched carrying their tools; workers of the General Confederation of Labor carried placards proclaiming their demands; Puerto Rican flags were everywhere and marchers sang the national hymn, La Borinquena.

Inaugurations of previous American governors had been greeted coldly by a military parade.

With many high U. S. functionaries present, Pinero said he was "obliged" to uphold and defend the U. S. constitution and national security. But he added:

"Naming of a Puerto Rican governor does not satisfy the desires of the people nor does it fully meet the requirements of the Atlantic Charter."

He promised to carry out the program of the Popular Democratic Party which had elected him Resident Commissioner in Washington, including elimination of the colonial status; honest administration; schools, hospitals and homes for workers; land for the peasants; industrial development; increase of national production and improved living conditions.

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# Chou Denies Soviet Aid

Chinese Communist leader Gen. Chou En-lai has denied categorically that the Communists were receiving or would receive any help from the Soviet Union, according to yesterday's New York Times.

"Why should Russia step in?" Chou was quoted. "If Russia came in to support the Communists the United States would only increase its support of the Kuomintang."

He denied that Chinese Communists have any connection with Moscow, asserting that the party wants to preserve its own independence. In 1935, he recalled, member parties of the Communist International decided to conduct their Communist movement, according to special conditions prevailing in their countries. Later the Comintern was dissolved.

The Times also reported the return to the Communist Party in Manchuria of Li Li-san, who preceded Mao Tse-tung as general secretary of the party. Li spent 14 years in the Soviet Union after being removed from office for leftism.

Asked if Li's return meant that the Communists were now drifting

toward the left in Manchuria, Chou explained that it did not and that Li "is now following the Chinese Communist program."

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## PRESS ROUNDUP

## Wants Soviets 'Overthrown'

THE SUN's columnist David Lawrence makes his little contribution to "peace" by advocating the overthrow of the Soviet Government: "The only defense against the misuse of the atomic bomb by Russia is the overthrow of totalitarian government in Moscow." Lawrence says peace means the destruction of the government which killed 80 percent of all the Axis foes who died in the war.

THE HERALD TRIBUNE criticizes the view that "unless there is an upset in Russia, there is bound to be war." On the contrary it suggests that if there is no war with the Soviet Union it will develop in ways more agreeable to all.

But its columnists Joseph Alsop and George Fielding Eliot demand a stronger western axis directed against the Soviet Union. Alsop explains Byrnes' speech as a policy of "rebuilding western Germany . . . to check Russia." Eliot says we must "compete with the Russians for German favors." He seriously recommends that the U. S., Britain and France shall incorporate Holland, Belgium and Denmark into a sphere of influence, including Germany, because, among other things, "their economy is integrated to a great extent with the German economy." Eliot says let's make no bones that we are establishing a western axis: "It would be a western bloc, of course. . . ."

PM's report on Soviet Latvia by Gordon Schaffer, London Reynolds News correspondent, states: "I was able to go where I wished and to talk not only to the peasants but to the workers in the factories as well as to members of the government, scientists, teachers and other professional workers. . . . My considered conclusion is that Latvia, though badly hit by war, is recovering at a far faster rate than any comparable western European country, and that Soviet rule, despite a widespread anti-Soviet campaign, launched from outside, has the overwhelming backing of the people."

THE TIMES argues the only solution of the German dilemma is the British-American policy, which claim is "designated to create a new and democratic Germany." The Times correspondent in the American zone of Germany reported U. S. occupation policy led to a resurgence of Nazis. Its reporters in the Soviet zone reported the Soviet Union has eliminated Nazi control in its zone. Furthermore, its correspondents report the German Junkers, source of the Nazi movement, have been eliminated in the Soviet occupation zone. Facts are stubborn things. But the Times editor is even more stubborn.

THE DAILY MIRROR advo-

cates a general political strike; it asks longshoremen to strike and refuse to load medicine for Yugoslav children. The Daily Mirror always favored sending scrap iron to Japan, which came back to us in Guadalcanal, Iwo and the Philippines. It favors trade with Franco. It opposes longshore strikes for better wages. But it believes the 14 Germans of the men who held off 18 German divisions in Yugoslavia should neither eat, nor be able to bind their wounds.

## OUST CLARK, HOOVER, RALLY DEMANDS

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 9.—The demand that Truman remove Tom Clark and J. Edgar Hoover for their failure to apprehend southern lynch-mobs, was made by over 500 people at a memorial in the Milwaukee Auditorium to the Negroes murdered in the South.

The meeting was sponsored by the Civil Rights Congress, Milwaukee Chapter, with the endorsement of Mayor Bohn, and the support of the local NAACP, CIO Council, National Negro Congress, Negro Elks, Communist Party, Lawyers Guild, Slav Congress, Allis Chalmers UAW Local 248, CIO, two Fur and Leather CIO locals, the Wisconsin Conference for Social

Legislation, Wisconsin Committee for a Permanent FEPC and other groups.

The meeting was chaired by Assemblyman Leroy Simmons, only Negro member of the legislature, and was addressed by Edmund Bobrowicz, Democratic candidate for Congress, Fourth District; Attorney James Dorsey; Robert Buse, president, Wisconsin CIO; Rev. W. G. McLin; Bishop David W. Short; Joseph Mack, of the National Negro Congress, and others.

Dorsey cited anti-Negro statements by Secretary of State James Byrnes in 1919 and 1938.

Wires to Wisconsin Congressmen urged support of a strong anti-

lynch bill, and called for them to work for the expulsion of Sen. Bilbo and Rep. Rankin.

The rally was preceded by a parade starting at Eighth and Walnut and going through the Negro neighborhood.

## Kidnapped Child Found; Maid Held

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## Formaldehyde and Ghouls

By Irvin Block

With *Yours Is My Heart* they claim, down at the Shubert Theatre, that they're reviving Franz Lehar's *Land of Smiles*. This is a lie. It's still dead. You can smell the formaldehyde. You can smell the decay. You can smell the drugs and the adhesive tape and the old, burnt wax that tries so haltingly to hold it together.

The audience went through three perceptible stages. For the first fifteen minutes it sat in shock, in absolute disbelief. Then it became angry and many walked out, huffed. At last it settled down in huge relief like good New Yorkers to watch people make fools of themselves. Some kind people stuffed handkerchiefs in their mouths to keep from laughing at the wrong places.

I don't know. I would like to say something kind about it. I waited for two whole, embarrassing acts to try to find something kind to say. Then it occurred that there was nothing too cutting, too unkind that anyone could say about this ghoulish resurrection.

For this was not just the revival of some old and nostalgic music, an attempt that failed and which was not even relieved by wistfulness. It was a stabbing try to resurrect an approach, an attitude toward the theatre and its public which has been mainly responsible for the empty-headed bankruptcy of such a large part of our American stage.

One becomes angry at the cavalier arrogance of producers who feel that a few penny bits of tinsel and cellophane, a touch of finetti, an old song, a couple of tired and borrowed dance routines, a dozen pretty girls, and an indifferent, pedestrian libretto can be whipped together in a few hours (It couldn't have taken much longer) as good enough entertainment for the out-of-town clodhoppers.

The first two lines of the musical set the pace. Several couples are waltzing around what appears to be a luxurious Parisian apartment.

**YOURS IS MY HEART**, an operetta based on Franz Lehar's *Land of Smiles*. Presented by Arthur Spitz. Book and Lyrics by Ira Cobb and Karl Farkas. Starring Richard Tauber and Stella Andreeva. At the Shubert Theatre.

One couple detaches itself, steps to the expectant footlights. "Ah, Mademoiselle, you dance divinely," he breathes. She giggles. In labored French she quips, "Merci beaucoup!" Having got this off their chests, they join the other dancers with obvious relief. From then on it's all the same. No use rehearsing the plot. It concerns a Chinese prince who is in love with a French diva. He is recalled to China to rule his people in the interests of a reform which seems to be concerned mainly with bringing the liberty of tennis to the court attendants and the airy freedom of shorts to the ladies' luscious gams. It's impossible silly.

Richard Tauber as the Chinese prince, corseted, animated as an over-stimulated owl, makes love to Stella Andreeva in heavy Teutonic dialect, hopping nervously around her and making opera bouffe passes in the air as though he were trying to compete with the exasperated conductor in the pit for control over the orchestra. Andreeva does little to merit all this attention.

Tauber sings the only good song in the show, the potted geranium, *Yours Is My Heart Alone*. Four times. In four different languages, as delighted with this accomplishment as though he were pulling rabbits, one after the other, out of a thimble. The amused audience applauded in high glee, yelling, "Russian! Serbian! Finnish! Hindu-stani!"

Tauber, I swear, will never understand why the show was a flop.

## Shaw's 'Caesar and Cleopatra'

By David Platt

Bernard Shaw wrote *Caesar and Cleopatra* as a comedy in 1898 as a reaction against the stuffy productions of Shakespeare's tragedies about "Caesar" and "Cleopatra."

Shaw felt that Caesar had much more of Columbus and Ben Franklin in him than Henry V and set out to write a "more credible, more natural" version of how these two fabulous figures behaved during the Roman occupation of Egypt.

Undoubtedly influenced by the hero - restoration of historians like Carlyle and Mommsen, Shaw's play revealed Caesar as a wise, just and gay fellow who loved children, treated former foes with clemency and even with kindness, and believed in domestic tranquillity. In Shaw's treatment, *Cleopatra*, a spoiled brat in the first act, develops under Caesar's amiable tutelage into queenly and dangerous womanhood.

Gabriel Pascal's lavish technicolor movie is eminently faithful to Shaw's original.

## TWO POINTS OF VIEW

There are two ways of looking at *Caesar and Cleopatra* at this particular time. It is possible to see in Shaw's reverent treatment of Caesar as an agreeable and humorous conqueror who outmaneuvers and outsmarts overwhelming numbers of stupid Egyptians, a shocking acceptance of one-man dictatorship.

On the other hand, the film can be judged purely as fantasy, requiring only the music of Offenbach or Verdi to heighten its unreality.

Both viewpoints are valid. Accept Shaw's *Caesar and Cleopatra* as history, as many doubtless will, and you'll rebel against this brash attempt of the British to paint an aggressor as a bringer of peace and progress. You'll think of suffering Egypt today under the British heel.

Accept it as pure, unadulterated fiction, which I think was Shaw's intention, and you'll be fascinated and held by Claude Rains' marvelous portrayal of adolescent Cleo's indulgent uncle, and alternately charmed and appalled by Vivien Leigh's sharp-tongued Cleo.

## NEGROES CARICATURED

Whichever way you look at *Caesar and Cleopatra* you'll resent the pop-eyed Negro caricature, and especially the scene where Cleo, a real Queen at last, a real, real Queen takes a snake whip and for no reason brutally lashes a Negro slave while the "great and kind and just" Caesar stands by and says nothing. It reminded me of a similar scene in the anti-Negro film *Gone With the Wind*, where the same Vivien Leigh as Scarlett O'Hara struck her domestic slave

Prissy a savage blow across the mouth for a small infraction of the household rules and not one word of reproach was uttered against the great lady. You'll resent the Egyptian caricatures, particularly the sarcasm directed against an Egypt-for-Egyptians movement.

On the other hand, you'll probably enjoy Caesar's British lackey, a character containing all the laughable English virtues, and the superb opening scene where the

conqueror discovers the youthful witch Cleo reclining between the paws of her baby Sphinx.

You may find the film tedious in parts and extremely talkative throughout and the technicolor not as good as advance reports indicated.

On the whole, *Caesar and Cleopatra* is big in everything but meaning and does not warrant the five or six millions spent on it. The crowd scenes are poorly directed, much of the camera work is static. It all boils down to Claude Rains and Vivien Leigh, whose selection for the title roles represents a major casting triumph.

## French-American Film Pact Hit

"Can the French film industry survive the agreement between the French and American governments, and remain as an instrument of national expression for the French people?" That is the question asked by

the Screen Writers' Guild, Inc., organization of Hollywood's screen writers, and now forming the subject of an exchange of correspondence between the Guild's president Emmet Lavery, and Eric Johnston, president of the producers' association.

SWG, at its membership meeting of July 29, unanimously passed the following resolution: "That the Screen Writers' Guild, in answer to the appeal of the French film workers, express its opinion of the French-American film agreement and ask our State Department to investigate the possibility of negotiating this agreement so that the French film industry can survive."

In addition to a routine reply from the State Department, SWG then received a letter from Eric Johnston, defending the agreement on the letter of its wording, and stating, in part: "Actually the agreement does not guarantee the exhibition of a single American motion picture in France. It simply opens the market to the best pictures."

In reply, Guild president Emmet Lavery this week sent Mr. Johnston a letter quoting from eleven ranking French trade-union and motion picture personalities, all of whom feel the agreement dooms the French industry to death. It stated in part: "Naturally, we are interested in the widest possible market for good American films throughout the world, but the issue here is not a matter of concern for American films as such, any more than it is a matter of concern for Russian, British or other foreign films

in the French market. The immediate issue is the matter of assuring sufficient FRENCH films for the French in France."

For any understanding of what this agreement between France and the United States means, it was stressed by Screen Writers' Guild spokesmen, it must be made clear that American films make their basic cost and profit in the American market. For the French film industry to survive it must make its cost and primary profit in France. This agreement, instead of protecting the French film industry, makes it possible for American films already paid for to go into the French market and compete at a tremendous advantage with films made in France that have not yet been assured their cost.

While most of the press has given little space to it, the fact is that many demonstrations have already taken place in Paris, with demonstrators carrying banners reading "Down With American Films." Hostility to American films and to the U. S. in general is growing in France as a result of what the president of the French Screen Writers' Union characterizes as follows: "Hollywood has obtained from the representatives of France what (the Nazis) would never have dared ask of us during the occupation."

The last paragraph of the agreement — which was accepted as a rider to the U. S. loan to France — provides for re-opening of negotiations at the request of either of the governments.

## DON'T FORGET!

Robert Thompson, Chairman of the N. Y. State Communist Party and candidate for Comptroller of New York, speaks tonight over WJZ at 8:15 p.m. The subject of his talk is "The Communists and the New York Elections."

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## BRIEFS

The Stanley Theatre announces that it will enlarge its policy to include non-Russian foreign films, principally French, Italian, German and Portuguese. . . . Salmaggi's grand opera season at the Brooklyn Academy of Music opens with *Carmen* on Sept. 21, with Maru Castagna in the title role. . . . Department of "This Ought to Be Something": A state governor who openly practices religious and racial discrimination in the awarding of jobs to vets comes under the stern surveillance of *Superman* on the WOR broadcasts of Monday through Friday, Sept. 9-13, from 5:15 to 5:30 p.m. Clark (*Superman*) Kent battles to expose the bigots who back the governor in his race-hate practices.  
I. B.



# UE Heads Cite Trusts' Rising Power in Gov't

By George Morris

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 9.—The death of Roosevelt ended the New Deal as a government policy, with influence passing into the hands of "lifelong servants for the special interests of big business," the three top officers of the CIO United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers told the union's convention as it opened today.

The report, summarizing the union's progress for the past two years, sharply contrasts the Roose-

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velt era and the developing "American century" under Truman.

It was submitted by president Albert J. Fitzgerald, secretary-treasurer Julius Emspak and organization director James J. Matles.

The convention's first day dealt largely with the board's proposed "minimum requirements in UE contracts."

## VOICE VOTE

An early voice vote test indicated less than a fourth of the 800 delegates backed an amendment sponsored by the Block-Carey red-baiting group. It came on an attempt to delay until Friday the election of officers, which the UE traditionally sets for Wednesday. The opposition obviously fears that an early election would also take the heart out of its plan to keep a factional atmosphere boiling for the convention's entire duration.

The main fight, on opposition resolutions to lump Communists with fascists and the Klan, and on that basis disqualify Communists from UE office, may come tomorrow.

Also scheduled is the speech of CIO president Philip Murray.

## HITLER IN U. S.

The officers' report warned that the same kind of monopolists that brought Hitler into power in Germany are back of the reactionary

trend in American domestic and foreign policy. The report adds, "the shock troops of big business even now would just as soon see such a system instituted in the United States."

Byrnes, Vandenberg, Connally, Taft and many others in government have been lifelong servants for special interests of big business," declared the report. "They see Germany through the eyes of corporation executives who are eager to establish relations with their Nazi counterparts."

## NEW GOALS

Reviewing the year-long struggle since VJ-Day to preserve living standards, the officers conclude that the labor movement has "withstood this initial attack of the employers" to smash unions. But the officers warned repeatedly that greater unity than ever will be needed in new battles with reaction.

The report pictures a record of gains for the UE's 600,000 members in the past two years. But the main emphasis is on new goals. The UE's eyes are directed to plants in the South and the still company unionized Western Electric chain.

Referring to a clique of red-baiters in the UE and CIO ranks, the report said:

"In the coming months there is no doubt that reactionary politicians and organizations will use every weapon at this disposal to divide and confuse the organized workers not only in the UE but in the CIO generally. As organizational work progresses in the South, reaction will become more desperate in trying to fight it. In the North, where the unions are older, the time-worn issue of Communism will become more pronounced."

# 800,000 Kids Hit the Books

Summer was officially over yesterday for approximately 800,000 school kids who trekked back to the city's 800 public schools.

First grade enrollment was expected to exceed last year's by 15,000, now that the Board of Education's new ruling is in effect. The ruling permits children who will be six year old before next April 30, to enter the first grade. Nov. 30 was the former deadline.

According to a new school board procedure, about 200,000 elementary school children will receive four report cards this year instead of the usual six.

# Bronx Democrat Seeks to Knock CP Off N.Y. Ballot

Special to the Daily Worker

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ALBANY, Sept. 9.—Communist Party state nominating petitions were being photostated and checked under the direction of Louis Cohen, executive assistant to Mayor O'Dwyer and secretary of the Bronx County Democratic Committee.

Cohen said he would try to knock the Communists off the ballot. He said he would get an "aggrieved candidate" to protest petitions. Such a candidate can act even after the usual three-day period.

The "aggrieved candidate" in this case is Spencer C. Young, nominee for State Comptroller. Young comes from Queens.

Another objection pending against the Communist petitions was filed by Lambert Fairchild, arch-tory Republican politician.

# Probe of Trusts' War Profits Under Way

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—Senator James M. Mead (D-NY) today said investigation of war profits by giant corporations is under way and that public hearings will be held as soon as enough information is compiled.

The Senate committee to investigate the national-defense program already has looked into the records of aircraft and steel firms is studying railroad profits, and intends to probe shipbuilding, aluminum and other basic industries, Mead told reporters.

Because of his campaign for governor of New York, Mead said he will resign the committee chairmanship and predicted Sen. Harley Kilgore (D-W Va) will succeed him.

At the same time Mead said the committee has told Rep. Andrew J. May (D-Ky) to come to Washington to testify concerning his part in the Garsson munitions combine.

## FIRM'S OWNER

Mead revealed L. W. Fields and A. C. Brown, operators of the Cumberland Lumber Co., swore at a closed committee hearing that May had told them he was the firm's owner. This contradicted earlier statements by May and Dr. Henry Garsson. To date the Senate group has been unable to find company records which would help determine ownership or what has happened to its funds.

Another effort is being made to get the reasons for construction of the Canal Project, which Mead said

cost \$153 million and only yielded a third of a tanker of high octane gas. A third letter has been dispatched to the joint chiefs of staff requesting information.

Two previous queries, one signed by President Truman when he headed the committee, were rebuffed with excuses of "military security." The second query was made after the war and was answered by Admiral Ernest J. King.

Mead indicated the committee will insist on an adequate reply, even if it takes a fourth request.

When the committee meets in about 10 days to select a new chairman, Mead will stress the importance of continuing the group's probe of big corporations. The investigation will cover conversion to war production, tax rebates and peacetime reconversion, he said.

# Car Applications for Disabled Vets Ready

Disabled vets eligible to get specially constructed automobiles can secure application blanks today, it was announced by David P. Page, acting deputy veterans administrator for New York. Approximately 2,400 in the state, 2,000 in metropolitan New York, are eligible for the cars.

Application blanks can be secured at the VA Regional Office, 252 Seventh Ave., New York City. Vets who lost one or both legs at above the ankle, or lost the use of one or both legs are eligible. Total cost of the vehicle must not exceed \$1,600.

# Tenn. Judge Qualifies More KKK Adherents

By Harry Raymond

LAWRENCEBURG, Tenn., Sept. 9.—Four men who testified they believed in the Ku Klux Klan's principles and two who can neither read or write were declared qualified for jury service today by Judge Joe M. Ingram in the trial of the 25 Columbia Negroes.

Defense attorneys, objecting to the ruling, had no other alternative but to excuse the six with peremptory challenges.

Arthur Pollock, 58-year-old farmer, was selected as the ninth juror this morning.

Two panels totaling 542 veniremen have been exhausted. Notifications were sent out for the new veniremen to be in court tomorrow.

The first venireman qualified today by the court and removed by peremptory defense challenge was O. A. Tucker, questioned by chief defense counsel Z. A. Looby. Tucker declared he believed in some acts of the KKK. Quizzed by the Judge, Tucker testified he was prejudiced against Negroes "in a way."

"You wouldn't let that prejudice interfere with trying this law suit?" Judge Ingram asked.

"No," the venireman replied. Tucker was declared qualified by the court.

L. S. Litrell, a farmer, testified he believed "to some extent" in KKK principles.

The defense asked that the veniremen be removed for cause. The judge ordered the defense to "move on to other questions." Litrell was ruled "qualified" Dr. Leon Ranson, defense lawyer, removed him peremptorily.

Jesse Matthews and G. A. Benfield likewise stated under oath they supported parts of the KKK white supremacy program. The judge declared them fit to serve. They were removed by peremptory defense challenges.

J. A. Cross and J. W. Chandler told the court they could not read or write. Defense attorneys asked the judge to disqualify them. Ingram said they had "horse sense" and passed them to the defense for peremptory challenges.

## WEATHER:

Cloudy  
Fog  
Occasional Showers

# A Gift for the Party

It's the evening of Sept. 19. The marquee atop Madison Square Garden's main entrance blazons, "Communist Party Meeting Tonight." The crowds are starting to pour in, coming from 49 St., from 50 St., from the BMT, IRT and Independent subways. People who know each other are calling greetings. It's a gala night. It's the 27th anniversary of the Communist Party, U.S.A.

Have you got your free reserved seat? Have you gotten that one sub yet?

There are 10 more days left for you to get that gift for the party, a one-year sub for The Worker. That sub, turned in to your club or section, gets you a free, choice seat for the big meeting. And believe us, you'll be sitting solid that night, in plenty of good company.

One sub—a cinch. Start with your easiest contact—yourself, and go on from there. What you're selling is the biggest and best edition of America's only fighting

working class daily. You can't miss.

Stop being unconscious—start getting sub-conscious!

Everybody's coming to the 27th Anniversary celebration on Sept. 19th including . . .



WHITE COLLAR WORKERS like Joe who has learned to organize and fight beside other organized workers . . . and he wants YOU to come to the celebration, too.

# Garden Rally to Open Up on Dewey

Hear Wallace, Pepper  
Madison Sq. Garden  
Thursday